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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Eric BENAZZI et al.

Examiner: Prem C. Singh

Serial No.: 10/696,548

Group Art Unit: 1764

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Title: **FLEXIBLE PROCESS FOR THE PRODUCTION OF OIL BASES AND
MIDDLE DISTILLATES WITH A CONVERTING PRETREATMENT STAGE
FOLLOWED BY A CATALYTIC DEWAXING STAGE**

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 31, 2006, and Notice of Appeal filed on December 29, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.